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Former CIA case officer John R. Stockwell analyzes the CIA in relationship to George Bush and world affairs. Bush's history with the CIA is presented, and his attitudes toward handling affairs of state with covert actions abroad and curtailing dissent at home are assessed. John then reviews the CIA covert actions which are in progress around the world. He also evaluates the devastating effects which the CIA sponsored war in Afghanistan had on that country and its people, leaving the country in such a state of political turmoil and destruction that it is doomed to many years of further bloodshed.

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President George Bush was head of the CIA he has said that he's going to increase covert action activities of the CIA well we're going to talk with former CIA official John Stockwell and see what the status is of the actions going on right now across the world places like Afghanistan Central America southern Africa and Cambodia one of the jobs which John had when he was in the CIA was to run the Angolan program he later quit the CIA and wrote his famous book in search of enemies John George Bush is inherited quite a few covert operations from the Reagan administration can you provide an overview of the CIA secret wars under Reagan and tell us what is likely to happen with these operations on your Bush this this is the most fascinating period perhaps of the Cold War because there is the suggestion the rumor of foot if you will that the Cold War is coming to an end the Russians are withdrawing from the battlefield and it's all over that's not going to happen I was just in London conferring with a number of people including toady Ben of the Labour

Party talking about just that sort of thing what Bush is going to do is put the covert back in covert actions Reagan wanted to be the cowboy showing the world how he stood up to communism in Nicaragua and bombed Libya and did dramatic things or to put it another way is his bush is going to use Vaseline as he proceeds with the rape of the world and get it back into more of an old-school their bragging of course big about Afghanistan Reagan as he went out of office cited all of his peace victories Angola you know of course a big one he was a little bit quiet on Nicaragua because he had sworn that he would not go out of office with the sunna needs to still in office and they did outlast him Alton El Salvador is probably the hottest spot as I see it if you measure it in terms of where the

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you measure it in terms of where the United States might be provoked to put in US troops and have our next war could very well be El Salvador Kampuchea they're citing that is another big victory we've got the Russians withdrawing from you know the Cubans from Angola the Soviets from Afghanistan the Vietnamese from from Kampuchea but as we get into the discussion you peel off the layer of the cover story and you start finding very quickly the cynicism going on full of pace and the basic point I think that that I would register is that we got a lot of energy from reg reagan's cowboy style he wanted the world to debate contra aid instead of focus on the fact that Reaganomics had run up two biggest debt in the history of the world and so he was focusing attention there but there were 21 low-intensity conflicts going at the sea I was a major participant in and the only one that got any remarkable coverage and the peace community are the press of Nicaragua and it was by no means the biggest in terms of money or in terms of lives lost now with with the the Vaseline president we're going to have the situation working where we may not have that infusion of energy from the White House from the Congress giving us the ammunition for our debates and rallies and and a rallying point for the Peace Corps a little bit harder for us to be sure what's happening and given countries the sort of thing where it may come out five years later like like Chad with Woodward's coverage coming out you know years later what was that about well back in the early 80s Woodward's work Vale there was some coverage at the time Time Newsweek but the CIA put two consecutive invasions our forces together from the Sudan to move into chad to take power to counter Qaddafi and and and his forces coming down from

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and and and his forces coming down from from Libya at the time it was happening you don't get the coverage you don't they keep it secret if they want to the Afghani operation is the biggest one in the history of the CIA and they managed to divert biggest in every sense including the fact the largest heroin smuggling ring left behind and they managed to to keep it from not secret but keep it from being a focal point of debate for the six major years that it was run how could have been bigger than Vietnam well the UNAM was a CIA operation for years before the army came in and Vietnam became the Vietnam war with billion US Army US Air Force billions of dollars Laos had always been cited as the CIA's biggest war Vietnam became an overt war Laos remained a CI secret war and the hundreds of millions of dollars they're supported with Air Force bombing and everything but Afghanistan is they haven't published the figure I've never been able to find anyone who confidently like the archives a national security art guys got Armstrong in Washington a solid figure on how much they spent and Afghanistan but it's in the billions that's latest in the history let's go into Afghanistan in some detail I read in the New York Times just this morning that the Reagan administration was bragging that they refused to compromise with the Soviet Union to pull out their support for the Afghan rebels in exchange for the Soviets pulling out so let's see who the u.s. actually was supporting in Afghanistan over the last years what of the rebel forces how they were supporting them and what the effects of this have already been and might be as we now are moving to a new era for Afghanistan there could be total chaos looks like the Lebanon ization of Afghanistan yeah all these different groups yeah well there's all these different rebel groups who is the u.s. supporting out of the whole spectrum I

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supporting out of the whole spectrum I bet I saw him on TV yesterday there was a guy they found he spoke good English he was clean-shaven and looked like all like sighs I typed from the Philippines they I'm gonna hedge a little bit because this is not an area of my primary expertise and I have not been able to travel there and look at it like I did Nicaragua and El Salvador and Angola and all of that but if you essentially have it we do have it we the the Admiral Turner when when I debated him at Colby College he cited he was boasting about that covert action that he had started it and citing it as an example of a successful covert operation they set it in motion and then eventually it led to the Soviets having to withdraw their troops the game that they're playing essentially the US the parallel that Nam it is significant we invaded they invaded our bar each created government's that invited us in so to speak the difference is in the breakup of course at the NLF would not compromise in Vietnam the Tom Polgara scandal we've talked about before the chief of station hoping they would give the u.s. a break and they had no reason to they had the u.s. down and dirty and we're going to humiliate us as effectively as they could this is essentially what Reagan is doing in Afghanistan but the difference is that in Vietnam the other side had had created a very cohesive force in an orderly way to move in and take power and administrate and run the country the NLF and Hanoi and the government and everything what we've been doing in Afghanistan is just pure and simple shotgun destabilization funding anybody that's got a group giving them arms through Pakistan every kind of group as you say the Lebanon's ation so that now

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you say the Lebanon's ation so that now we where we've won in the sense that that Reagan is crowing and Turner is growing and Carter is growing he's you heard that on the news yesterday that his policies had been vindicated and all that and the Russians are pulling out admitting that they made a big mistake in fact they're probably being more candid than we were when we pulled out of Vietnam right we tried to say it was an honorable this and everything they're just saying flat we made a mistake tragic mistake but we have not created a force our government or movement or anything that believes in anything to step into the vacuum I debated or I thought I was going to debate an Afghani professor at the world affairs conference in Boulder last year and who because he was paid working for the VOA and US propaganda arm so I presume he was bought and paid for and he kept telling me you know just let me finish my senator so to speak and I did and what he said is what the what the powers have done is condemned I've kind of stand to eternal violence and conflict it looks like it's going to be horrible they're pulling out and and this side is not going to agree to relent and the Soviets are going to see what they would call a necessity to keep arming the other side this is where you get into a test if you will of Gorbachev sincerity and bushes you know kinder gentler you know goodness in the nation do they really mean it they're trying to convince the world that the Cold War is winding Doonesbury has already told us the Cold War is over it isn't now the danger of course is that people are so eager craving for hope and craving for peace it doesn't take much as dynamic as the peace movement arguably is in the United States and and Europe for example it sure doesn't take much for a president to get up there in just three words

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to get up there in just three words kinder gentler and then the goodness goodness and greatness for words and people oh wow you know yeah whereas the actual policies are to keep violence and covert operations and secret Wars going so your point about the US intervention in Afghanistan rather than negotiating a peaceful settlement or negotiating some sort of a governmental structure we just supported any forces whatsoever to create chaos in the region to humiliate the Soviet Union that that was the goal and continues to be the goal of the Bush administration that continues to fund the Afghan rebels to make sure there's more murder chaos etc there what does bush how can he justify continuing to support the Afghan rebels now that the Soviet Union has pulled out there's no longer a foreign oppressor well this is just this is just classic old Cold War the elephants fighting you know on the grass getting trampled we haven't had our victory over there yet I'm putting it in in their terms in Bush's terms the sea-ice terms it is in the process of happening we haven't taken Kabul yet we haven't installed any kind of a government that other than what the Soviets left behind and so they're pressing ahead and it's going to be very much in Bush's interest to try to get them to

moderate the violence and the bloodiness of the revolution the last great successful revolution from the other side with the Sandinistas and they abolish the death sentence the thing that's happening now with the US forces us-backed forces as they say in Afghanistan apparently is just utter atrocities when they take a city and then and then they lose it perhaps they're great crates full of dismembered bodies you know meat stuck in crates of hundreds of bodies left behind horror

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hundreds of bodies left behind horror beyond comprehension perpetrated by the rebels either by the us-backed forces the different ones but they're in different ones there's no one force that the u.s. expects will take over know the u.s. is working very hard I am sure to try to get it so they have some secret strategy of some forces that they hope absolutely take over absolutely they hope to take the capital and establish a government and then reinforce that government as it dominates the others and establishes some kind of peace in the country the process is going to be extremely bloody and the US will be doing its very best with the US media probably not giving us the vivid clippings of the horrors you know as they're happening just as they're not doing it in El Salvador Guatemala today but couldn't there be an embarrassment for the u.s. if it turns out to be a bloodbath that the u.s. supported rebels turn out to be barbaric and there's atrocities committed everywhere well there is a bloodbath heparin right now and it's just not being run in our meat immediately and I mean not being told the US and the CI have done this continually through the year that's Vietnam in Iran with a Shah in El Salvador different degrees all the time but and with different degrees of collusion from the press and and in in Central America for example in 81 when when Reagan was first plunging in the media they had crews all over Nicaragua they had permanent offices set up for all the biggies in the Intercontinental Hotel and then after the Falkland Islands they made a decision and didn't send them back the stuff was running on the evening news every day the horror stories and visual imagery and they shut it off as the media bought in to reagan's contra program and and you know the office of public diplomacy and the painting the white hats as they put it on the Contras and the black hats on the Sandinistas and the media the washington

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Sandinistas and the media the washington post the bay the biggies cooperating and they're clearly cooperating in afghanistan otherwise we would be having much more graphic footage and graphic explanations of what's happening in Afghanistan right now today and it's going to get worse for them yeah for then all they call your freedom fighters and that's it there's been nothing on us support of any specific groups or what the effects of supporting these groups are this is exactly what I'm saying this is the biggest one in the history of the CIA and there's been nothing about it and part of the reason is it's been a full bipartisan the contra program was public and there was debate on it and at times it was voted down in her clothes there were serious differences in the Afghani it's virtually unanimous both sides of the house and the Congress are the senator fully behind it and so there has and the administration didn't want to provoke a debate on it and the media was willing to go ahead and give us a glimpse down and but not map it out for us humanely the glimpse of the Soviet atrocities more it appears that it was the Soviet occupation that's creating all of the bloodshed this is a legitimate revolutionary or counter revolutionary force but they don't go into any detail of how the u.s. is supporting these groups and there's also nothing about the drug-running of these different rebel drugs to say the and of course there's nothing about the CIA actually helping these rebel forces with their drug to help support their military struggles against the Soviet without mention of the CI program and the secret war you do pick up articles about you know the drug allocations around the world or and the the golden Crescent is now the largest source of heroin apparently in the world today right in there where the sea-ice been running this operation with its c-130s and c-123 flying in with arms and flying out with the heroin that's the evidence that that's happening I mean I haven't even read anything about this the CI a heroin route and well there

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the CI a heroin route and well there been a lot of things in covert action information bulletins where they traced well first of all historically the rebels the groups have been big dope operators for years and this is one of the things that the the communist government which later became backed by the Soviet Union was trying to do away with they were trying to eliminate drugs from their country they were trying to have established health and education they were trying to have some women's lib give them a chance and do away with the labor but when they started doing this and to eliminate some of those drug runners well then that's one of them big groups this it's so it's it's sufficiently flagrant and open and that it was the theme of the last James Bond he as a matter of fact said in Afghanistan with his huge plane loads of heroin John there's a byproduct of this we're assuming that the activities of the CIA in Afghanistan will lessen someone as a result of this do you suppose not for two or three years no they'll be very busy funding the CIA and the paramilitary the invisible government the entire spectrum of it to build a solid government that that with death squads to pacify the country I look for a tremendously troubled situation to go on several years so best I see like Lebanon with every single faction fighting in a situation where no faction can gain control as that Afghani professor said with just visible anguish he said they have condemned Afghanistan to eternal violence Wow so there won't be any unemployed covert action hot dogs from the CIA who be available and looking for work and the rest of the work knowing yet like happen to be an ombré know they'll just be

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to be an ombré know they'll just be they'll just be quieter and and that will be the difference they'll try to keep it out of sight instead of like the contra program posturing for the press and provoking public confrontations let's look at another place South Africa South Africa is so-called getting out of Angola but they did before and then they came right back in again when there was it looked like they were going to be peace in the area now looks like the same thing happened they had they they're getting the Cubans to pull out they got their ears pinned back they pulled away but now I understood they heard where they've actually made some more armed attacks already going three three weeks ago in London in the interviews and discussions this is very much what we were talking about was was what is the guarantee that South Africa's going to respect us the Cubans pull out South Africa pulls out what's going to keep South Africans violating every international law and boundary in southern Africa what's going to keep him from going back into Angola how long will it be before they put their troops back in an answer was two weeks yeah and now interestingly enough Washington's reaction on this of course Reagan had a big aid program to Savimbi and Bush has promised to continue it and obviously he's clearly doing so now Savimbi's pinned down on the border down there now militarily and and is a little better off than the Contras are and he was taking a beating so the South African forces came into bailing out the US response that they obviously didn't stand up and say well we happen to be in there in force with the CIA and we call the South Africans in there their statement was I can just remember you know back in a task force scribbling away the wording on the statement you know the put manure running when we were running their answer was that it has not been confirmed by any reliable sources that the South Africans

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reliable sources that the South Africans are in fact back in Angola which they aren't tell our audience that John Stockwell was the CIA officer in charge of the Angola operation and resigned after that wrote his book in search of enemies that began his process of developing a criticism of the CIA and has been speaking out as a peace activist ever since so Angola has basically been on a hot point for the whole Reagan administration well let's trip Angola down just real briefly while we're on the subject Chester Crocker Assistant Secretary of State for African affairs was talking to some of us in the africanist progressive side of things Gerry Bender particulate the international school at USC and promising that he was going to negotiate a settlement for a Namibia and get the Cubans out of Angola and Gerry who my a friend whom I respect enormous Lee said that you know if you succeed we'll give you credit for it publicly and Crocker succeeded he pounded away and negotiated away and it took six years and eventually he worked out a deal where the South Africans would give Namibia its independence and the Cubans would go home and the Cubans are going home and it's a real deal and the South Africans are you know there is at least some kind of a farcical independence

being given to Namibia the oversight is it going to work are the UN forces going to cover it our death squads going to be left behind to keep a proxy control you know that question remains but still bender and and I supporting him were obliged to say yes you know crockery you did you did it Namibia finally is getting its independence however in that fascinating complex deal the Cubans are coming home South Africa is giving independence to Namibia and and getting out of Angola and promising to stay out even but the United States although arbitrating that

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United States although arbitrating that thing did not promise to cease its aid to Savimbi to stabilize Angola now that is brass but it's also just idiotic I mean it just it sort of confirms your thesis in search of enemies that the role of the CIA is to search out enemies to fight wars to destabilize the world here's a region that needs stability there's negotiations to try to stabilize it and the u.s. keeps supporting these rebel forces to try to overthrow the Angola government that led to the Oh the absolutely bizarre situation of the Cubans there that were supporting the Soviet backed Angolan government protecting the u.s. multinational corporations I think golf well had big old floor which is what the Cubans were protecting against the CIA back and goal and rebel forces so there's not even in US economic interest when is easy mobilizing when Savimbi was brought to Washington in the winter of 86 remember he he was he was he dined at the White House and yet he went on television promising the aid that he was being given that he would attack Gulf oil facilities which facilities had been built by loans which Reagan had approved in addition to which he has kept the central part of Angola frozen and the Benguela railroad shut and that's as a year our big clients only economically viable egress to the sea is that railroad that we pay Savimbi to keep shut meanwhile the human horror the Red Cross counts 55,000 people in Angola who have been maimed by Savimbi's landmines an attack and George Bush continues to support those forces John one of the analyses that I heard about the the situation was that there was pressure within South Africa to get out they wanted to get out of the Angolan situation they didn't want to support it financially and also there were problems

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financially and also there were problems because their soldiers were getting killed so the United States said okay go ahead and pull out will come in and will directly supervise the situation and take care of it so it wasn't a big victory for the Angolan government or for Cuba and never in fact it was just a switch of people who were going to control it well this yeah this is exactly the point I was trying to make is that I Crocker playing big arbitrator and we didn't agree to give the region peace but it is a fact that know maybe is getting its independence the the South Africa is going to try to do what we did to Nicaragua 1933 when we pull the Marines out and created the guard and left it behind with samosa you know in charge they're trying to create the same type of a situation and have a proxy control of it from the Cuban point of view the Angolans are being left facing a dire situation with Savimbi still being funded to destabilize and the South Africans still coming across the border and the Cubans coming home and in Cuba's interests and and it's it's very difficult to fault them because they've they've sacrificed a lot of their own and their own capital to the extent that they can and they're not a wealthy country to stick up for their allies and Gule's but this is the point at which they could in fact come home with having accomplished you know a measurable objective that is Namibia is independent because of what they did yet the independence of Namibia or any country in Africa is precarious because of the CIA presence there whenever an independent African nation takes a socialist road or a road that goes against the interests or ideologies of the CIA they destabilized the government Kwame Nkrumah wrote a book called class struggles in Africa that documented the ways of the CIA overthrew about

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ways of the CIA overthrew about twenty-five progressive governments in Africa including and chromazone Guardian government in the 1960s so if Namibia takes a route that the CIA doesn't like they can act to destabilize it one way or the other so that's really the precarious situation that all independent nations in Africa face this is one of Chomsky's best points is that when the u.s. when a country tries to escape our first

effort is to bludgeon them back into the fold and if that fails as it did in Cuba conspicuously as it did in Vietnam conspicuously as it's done in Angola to date and Nicaragua to date and the fallback is to starve them out create economic chaos so that they will not be a positive example to anyone else to want to break free and this is this is what Nicaragua is facing today they won the first round they survived six years of constant heavy duty military destabilization of the countryside the Contras collapsed in corruption and chaos and shambles and their own cowardice and now a plan is afoot to disband them altogether disband the camps and everything but Nicaragua is now going to face a vigorous destabilization from the US government there's this flora Lewis op-ed piece it was in the New York Times a couple of days ago the Austin american-statesman today where she summarizes the situation a good piece well done except she talks about freedom of the press and she mentions La Prensa and she does not mention the fact that it was funded by the CIA during this whole period and they were Pro contra during the whole oh absolutely a CI propaganda piece to destabilize the country creating a war know they were fighting for their survival she should have mentioned that it's a good article I compliment her but still that little detail and then she doesn't

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that little detail and then she doesn't project it further the melding plan isn't mentioned where the Ambassador was was funding that during the height of peace talks and the Contras and amnesty Contras in the the embassy was caught funding people and organizing them to agitate into violence to remote embassy was finally invested when our position let's focus on this country a thing for a while I read today in The New York Times that the Bush administration seemed to be surprised that the leaders of the Central American government had the audacity to shut down the Contras to tell them they had to leave Honduras evidently the Reagan Bush administration thought they'd cut a deal with the Honduran government the Contras could stay there as long as money was being funneled into Honduras and evidently the Bush administration was caught by surprise with this meeting and doesn't exactly know how to react how do you read this situation it reminds me of an old saw the bendi in the third world saying you can you can rent us some times but you can't buy us and every time under in generals would need you know another put some more money in the bank accounts they would talk about throwing the Contras out and it is an embarrassment to them flagrant violation of all of their own internal laws and the international agreements in Central America and but each time they would propose to close down the Contra bases Reagan would hit him with another 20 mil in cash to the generals and and quiet him down for another year and I would have to say that either the forces of peace and Central America are sufficient that Honduras really is trying to get rid of this embarrassment or the generals won another payment do you think the bush will the Bush administration will try to buy them how would they do it would they have to go to Congress from garnier just great well they have all kinds of contingency funds and you can you know 20 million they

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and you can you know 20 million they could squeeze up but we let's watch and see his Reagan going to hit the Honduran government with a lump of money or is he going to let them close down the Contra bases what is the military situation with the Contras I gain the impression that the Contras have pretty much closed down in terms of interventions into Nicaragua that for a while there were quite an active fighting force but this is pretty much wound down now is it that they're demoralized they've left the region they don't have the funding and supplies what is the situation no disintegration two years ago the Sun and Easter's were giving them credit for some pretty serious activity and up and down through the country reaching pretty far in they were not standing up to the Sandinistas in any pitched battles but their raids and hitting and running there was there was quite a bit of energy now there are occasional atrocities measured you know inside Nicaragua where they're apparently a band here or there but the leadership has collapsed they have a sense the US is going to drop funding them that we've shut down the great Air Wing that was that was funding them through the drug money the leaders are looking for everybody scurrying to make sure they have some money in the bank so they can retire and those soldiers that were you know expected to go and live in the jungle without being resupplied without the planes coming in to get them the thing is probably down to five percent or less of the energy that they had two years ago and then the talk about just disbanding the camps

altogether and this is enough of the little things you signal as you look for here and there that you know what's really going on Reagan in his last couple of months commented that the United States should be willing to accept the Contras up here and that's pretty much of an admission on his part that you know that they have to go somewhere boy that's something that just

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somewhere boy that's something that just galls me every time there's the US or the CIA II lose a big one we bring in all of these murderers and dope dealers and people who committed horrible butcheries and atrocities we welcome them back into our country where they continue to do the same thing here which is precisely isn't it the issue down in South Texas right now the so-called Nicaraguan refugees coming up here the ones who are supposedly fleeing the Sandinistas these were clearly contra supporters and the US has not really got that clear a policy in fact the the only group that we just totally welcomed was the Cuban exile group that we had run from Florida that has been a constant embarrassment to the United States government and the source of a major uppity upheaval and crime and drug smuggling and there's quite a block of sane people in this country not of our politics but nevertheless sane who are saying we don't want him up here we don't need another mafia we have a mafia mafia the the anyone anyway I mean some of them have read Christopher Dickey's book you know with with the Contras about his patrol about less we see does just this and what's credible Vendetta an orgy of violence down in the country and no we don't want these people up here but you see the Honduran government doesn't want the neither you remember the people we can make am astronauts and shoot them out into space the Kurds it's they call it the disposals Afghanistan the disposable you have the Kurds of course in Iran Iraq and Henry Kissinger's famous statement when we were winding that one down and the Shah said it's not my problem you've got to deal with them and Kissinger recommended the Congress that we let him go he said that covert action is not to be confused with missionary work so essentially the Kurds were just dropped and slaughter and slaughtered John let's talk about El Salvador now use you said

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talk about El Salvador now use you said at the start of the program that that was going to be the next big big place of contention what has happened there that's different it's it's it's returned to the same in New York Times International Herald Tribune are writing repeated articles saying that the level of violence and dispute and instability in the country is back to where it was in 1982 when it was about to go down the tubes it was it was all it was breaking the country could have gone a revolution could have happened and the US began putting in massive shipments that eventually became three point three billion dollars worth of military aid these big newspapers are sort of warning the establishment that that's where we are right now today counting the number of attacks on military camps by the so-called rebels in the capital you know in the last month and elections are coming up and which there's every appearance that the artena party will win which is the right wing you know doubly sons original creation and this this is a situation where I think Bush is really desperate I think you know his Vaseline principal putting the covert back in it I don't think he wants a showdown in El Salvador right now he wants to sell this goodness for a while longer and keep things quiet until he's got his credibility up but one thing that I said in England that I fear very much is the reason he and the media that supports him are working so hard on this goodness image is so that when he puts US troops into El Salvador to keep it from going down the tubes he'll be able to say I am a good guy but you know I had to or to put it another way he's faced with a dire challenge to his a his first real test there if the country comes apart if it starts to go if the revolution starts to really succeed the oligarchy is already back to the 82

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oligarchy is already back to the 82 position of D capitalization of taking their money out in case it blows so they won't be caught with it in the sense of adore banks if it goes then he's going to have to either one put US Marines in there had just a point in history where the Soviets are pulling theirs out of Afghanistan and the world's not going to like that and the people in the u.s. aren't going to like that or he's going to take historical

credit for quote letting El Salvador go down the tubes as Carter was blamed for example for Iran and Nicaragua and he's not going to want to do that he's not going to be comfortable you know the conservative element of his being and his his presidency they're not going to be happy to let a revolution actually happen in El Salvador I see them as utterly desperate right now trying to work out some kind of a compromise and keep the lid on well how can they do that if the rebel forces are about to win a military battle is there a possibility of negotiating a settlement this is one thing that the Bush Reagan force has just haven't done they have always used the big stick I mean covert secret Wars has been their method and you know you notice in El Salvador and this is just in the last few weeks the rebels proposed to participate in the elections if the elections can be put back six months so they'll have time to realistically and warty immediately said no absolutely not that would be unconstitutional no way and bush his white house well slow down maybe we can find it well you think they may be forced to negotiate for the first time our faces are desperate decision the one that could be be a Bay of Pigs kind of a humiliation for George Bush in the early days of his presidency but it's another state of chaos right now in El Salvador's and I'd only have the rebel forces winning victories but the death squads from what I read are also back in the play so that in the city you have

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the play so that in the city you have these right-wing death squads carrying out wholesale assassinations and Bush's options are pretty limited the arena party it appears is going to win if they do there their inclination to violence of course is well known and they're already into violence the Congress is in a mood to cut off their military aid if the violence level goes up to a point beyond which they can no longer ignore it and but if you cut away the military aid then you don't have any carrot as they put it to induce them to behave themselves so the promise as as they are threatening is said well in that case you know there would be no reason for us to restrain our soldiers and a great bloodbath might ensue so El Salvador as as a result of in part of our meddling and policies and support of creation originally in the 60s of the death squads and in support of them through today is faced with a real terrible threat of a major upheaval like like occurred in the 30s or another bloodbath where the oligarch water on where the oligarchy got together in the 30s and said we're gonna have to kill 30,000 people to keep the lid on things and that's about where they are right now and that's what they did and that's what they did John there is another occurrence of a socialist government pulling out of a neighbor we mentioned it briefly before Cambodia when the Pol Pot regime was there and is murdering people by the millions the Vietnamese went in and stabilized the country and put in a government then the United States and the Chinese took the supported Pol Pot the absolute butcher now the Vietnamese are out of Cambodia now what what's what's going to happen there is it going to be a bloodbath like you remembered like Afghanistan you suppose you're you remember I said back when three big failures of the Carter Administration

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failures of the Carter Administration from my point of view the contradictions that represented a betrayal one of them was was Scott Qing the the Olympics for political reasons which was betraying the Athletics and the peace athletic process of the world another one was supporting Pol Pot the greatest mass murderer of modern times after Henry Kissinger supporting him as the legitimate government at the United Nations when he had no power whatsoever inside the country but Jimmy Carter did that and the third thing of course was suing me and taking my profits away my book and putting me under a court order those were the reasons why I couldn't vote for Jimmy Carter Haiti election and so what are the fruits of this clears for years we've been it must be ten years now we've been supporting Paul Pott along with the Chinese of the Chinese still behind him - or they finally shamed into dropping this character now what they've got is four four factions that are vying for power and the u.s. is actually made some policy statement saying that Paul Pott cannot be in charge of the winning faction but but we once again we've created forces now mind you I was on my way back to Vietnam and 85 the Vietnamese were opening up ten-year anniversary and the US media went in and I went back with my lead to visit her family and while we were traveling William Casey and George Shultz toured the area and in Bangkok announced a new destabilization program against Vietnam in

Cambodia so we have created now putting our money in willy-nilly we've created several factions and the Vietnamese not that we've rocked their boat very successfully in Kampuchea but the Russian economic policy the Russia was underwriting that totally Viet Nam's

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was underwriting that totally Viet Nam's on its knees economically and Russia was bankrolling that and the Russians decided that that's one place they can cut you know some of their losses and also win some goodwill with the United States so the Vietnamese are pulling out and we do not have control we have created something that we don't have control of with every possibility that we're going to see another major bloodbath in kampachi a-- for which we will be in in part responsible in fact going back I guess it's nineteen early 70s Kampuchea was pretty much out of the South East Asian Wars until Nixon started secretly bombing the country because he thought that North Vietnamese and Vietcong forces we're using Cambodia as a sanctuary and because of us bombings that country was destabilized and got into a situation of total chaos was one of the most peaceful most beautiful countries in the world that the bombings plus the CIA creation of the laudanol government which went into the outer corruption the standard pattern and this reminds me by the way in in London some of the peace activists they might my conditions going over there's I would give four lectures including the one in the House of Commons but that they would talk to me fifty percent of the time so I would get their input and which was really useful to me getting Tony Benn to give his assessment of where socialism is going and where capitalism is going and where the Soviet Union is going but they came to the hotel and played a video they gave it to the hotel and hotel put it on their internal video so I could watch it on a TV narrated by Eartha Kitt called after the fire which is a study of the environmental war we waged in Vietnam and the [__] children that are being born today and in my own province and Tay Ninh where I was the officer in charge they

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where I was the officer in charge they interviewed a nurse there was a midwife with two assistants the only medical help in the province and they were saying that that when a woman comes to us pregnant we asked her where she lives and we can tell her automatically whether or not she has a good chance of delivering a normal child just by where she lived how the chemical warfare in Vietnam has destroyed this parts of the environment this was the the two greatest moments of shock that I felt and as I've come into the peace movement one of them was seeing the the the the children in 83 I went down and actually held Maine children in Nicaragua and the second one was seeing this film and just seeing what we deliberately did to the environment killing the thousand-year-old trees and permanently poisoning a land and seeing the the photograph you know the shots of the of the children that had been born since John is there any possibility of stopping the CIA wars we've seen the fruits that they bear which is death mayhem destruction chaos etc is it possible to stop Bush and the secret Wars Bush himself was head of the CIA he's obviously someone deeply committed to covert action while he smiles and talks about a kinder gentler nation he's supporting all of these CIA operations and he's been open and truthful about he says he supports him that can this be stopped I mean could is there a mood in Congress or elsewhere in the country do these are not helping anyone they don't serve any real US interest they just destabilize and create chaos and death they're totally immoral they're irrational is there any sense that this is what's really going on and then it just has to be stopped well I'm gonna go ahead and well is evidently trying to create a sane or more rational Soviet policy so shouldn't the counterpart of

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policy so shouldn't the counterpart of that be in the u.s. to stop these covert wars well I hate to keep pounding away like doctor gloom but even even glass toast you know there's a downside of glossiness we do have like I say doonesbury announced the end of the Cold War the nation we've gotten the word there is a great movement in the nation if you will of a revulsion of saying these things are wrong they're surprising people in the establishment bill Colby who ran a Phoenix program and the CI is it did all these things said the

Contra program was wrong and should be shut down and then said that covert action should be gotten out of the CIA you're finding remarkable people saying that acknowledging the fact that these things are wrong what they're doing however as I say is just putting the covert back into them and toning them down a little bit and trying to keep them out of the public consciousness in trying to get the major media to cooperate with them and keeping them out of the public consciousness I have to mention however the downside of glass nose twitch people are overlooking as the Soviet Union invites openness and discussion everything but in the seventh of January that was a utterly remarkable op-ed piece in The New York Times which is a reprint from the Soviet foreign ministry Journal from last summer done by Andre acquisitive in which he said look most of the third world has opted for the capitalist solution it was a mistake for the United for the USSR to support people's movements around the world it led us into the nuclear arms race that's almost broken the Soviet economy and in the Soviet economic interest we he says have to start supporting stability and the status quo in the third world and and join in the capitalist process in order to participate in world trade in order to recover our own economy and economic

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recover our own economy and economic interests now on the one hand we should have a celebration because he's an engorged chef at the United Nations said something comparable now you know your first reaction is let's go out and have a celebration because this does would seem to offer a hope that the thing can't the Cold War the brutalization of these countries can be shut down with the Soviet initiative and people fatigued of them in the United States the problem is this there are two kinds of covert actions to oversimplify basically you see them clearly Anika in Central America Nicaragua with a contra freedom-fighters destabilization force and in El Salvador where we spent 3.3 billion dollars on the death squads to maintain the status quo to keep a revolutionary forces from went keep the people suppressed to keep the oligarchies in power to keep the dollars flowing to keep the trade flowing at whatever price to the people now if the Soviet Union proceeds to do what it's discussing publicly doing it is openly saying that it's going to be cooperating with the United States colluding with the United States to support for the El Salvador's if you will to support the status quo which means there won't be anyone a major superpower supporting the people's interests and the people's aspirations and hopes and the two superpowers will be colluding to have better trade to dominate the third world this would be a great step in the direction of the world security state I mean you've got you know let us not forget wonderful as he may be but an ex-kgb guy and Moscow and an ex-cia director as president here and that right the right there tells you quite a bit about the movement of the world not to mention the great you know peacenik in London that Gorbachev is a background yeah this it wasn't this Henry Kissinger's vision of the world

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Henry Kissinger's vision of the world that the US and the Soviet Union have a lot of common interests and they should get together and sort of divide up the world where each has their sphere of influence Kissinger of course studied 19th century Europe where they had carving up of Europe and spheres of influence so this has been his policies well as a matter of fact Kissinger published a paper co-authored paper which is discussed I believe it's in the December issue of the progressive magazine in which he's saying how the US Bush we just won the election should prepare to fight wars in the third world that the Soviet Union mentioning specific weapons systems that have been designed to fight Soviets in Russia but in Europe but how they could be reintegrated to fight wars in the third world well that's more aggressive than kissinger's earlier yeah pause so he's flat saying that the the next Wars will be in a third world as we cooperate with the Soviet Union Wow I mean well John thank you for your gloom and doom but heck you got a look at the world the way it is don't you we've got a lot of work to do we've got a lot of work to do we can't forget that the INF treaty gave us all so much hope but the factories are spitting out bombs faster than they've ever been and they're now nine nations producing bombs well it shows we have to reveal what's going on in these different CIA operations all over the world to try to publicize them so hopefully people will be horrified if they know the truth of what's going on and their human consequences of these covert actions and just simply shut down these secret

Wars yes amen now let's have some information from alternative publications about the Defense Department should it be called the Defense Department when most of the Pentagon's budget is actually for offense the percentage of it breaks down

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offense the percentage of it breaks down this way forty five percent goes for intervention in third world countries 27 percent goes to fight a possible world war in Europe 13 percent for first-strike capability such as star wars five percent for miscellaneous such as NASA and the CIA and only 13 percent for defense of the United States only 13 percent well how are your tax dollars spent for every dollar you pay in income taxes 52 cents will go for the military and that includes of course a lot of CIA spending only two cents will go for housing but who needs housing two cents will also go for education but who needs education two percent will go for food and for nutrition who needs that what about the human impact well how right now two to three million people are homeless and almost all of them are families rents have skyrocketed and home ownership is almost a dream now whereas it used to be normal what about our education well we know all about that it's in a shambles weapons are commonplace in school as our drugs if serious teachers shortage and the assistance by the federal government has severely been diminished health care the AIDS epidemic spreads with no cure in sight the US has slipped a nineteenth in infant mortality rate and is the only industrialized country in the world without a National Health Program and of course the effect has been devastating on the children with so many millions of them living in a state of poverty without any health benefits even basic immunizations there are severe environmental problems but meanwhile the government cuts the Environmental

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government cuts the Environmental Protection Agency and relaxes environmental regulations and most of the money still goes to the military this information was prepared by the jobs with peace campaign in Boston Massachusetts many people have asked us to give the names and addresses of the publications which we use for news and other source material The Guardian is a Marxist publication the address is 33 West 17th Street New York New York one zero zero one one the spotlight is a right-wing populist publication three hundred Independence Avenue Southeast Washington DC to zero zero zero three four keeping up with the CIA and other intelligence organizations it's the covert action information bulletin p.o box 502 72 Washington DC ooh zero zero zero for the American atheist is good for keeping up with Church state relationships and the religious right wing peal box two one one seven Austin Texas seven eight seven six eight - two one one seven we would like to thank our accrued people who helped us put on the program our director was Brian Lynch he also set up the lights our audio person was Cheryl Johnson our camera people were Christie swear and Brian koenings Dorf Christie also was the editor for this program we'd also like to thank Austin community television actv for the use of their equipment alternative use is the production of the alternative Information Network p.o box 7279 Austin Texas seven eight seven one three please write to us goodbye

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